

Docket No.: 057042-0050

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 20277
Jiang SHEN	:	Confirmation Number: 4453
Application No.: 09/912,452	:	Group Art Unit: 2634
Filed: July 26, 2001	:	Allowed: July 05, 2005
	:	Examiner: C. Q. Ware
For: IMPLEMENTATION OF DIGITAL FILTER WITH REDUCED HARDWARE	:	

**COMMENTS RESPONSIVE TO STATEMENT OF
REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 104(e)**

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Sir:

A Statement of Reasons for Allowance accompanied the July 5, 2005 Notice of Allowability regarding the above-identified application. The November 19, 2004 Office Action also included two Statements of Reasons for Allowance. Entry of these differing Statements into the record should not be construed as any agreement with or acquiescence by Applicant in any of the stated reasoning.

The Statements in the November 19, 2004 Office Action addressed claims 6 and 8-11. Comments regarding independent claims 6, 8 and 11 in the July 5, 2005 Statement are different and seem somewhat inconsistent with the earlier Statements. Also, claims 6 and 8-11 were indicated allowable over the art in the first Office Action on the merits, without any art rejection. It is respectfully submitted that allowed claims 6 and 8-11 should be entitled to the broadest reasonable interpretation and to the broadest range of

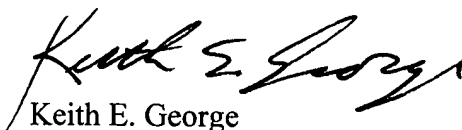
equivalents that are appropriate in light of the language of the claims and the supporting disclosure, without reference to any of the Statements of Reasons for Allowance.

The July 5, 2005 Statement apparently addresses newly allowed claims, but focuses on claims 1, 5, and 12. For example, there is no specific comment with regard to independent claim 3. Patentability of claims 1-5, 7 and 12 was discussed in Applicant's January 24, 2005 response. Further comments in the Statement, particularly to the extent that they may differ from the actual claim language and the proper construction thereof should be given no weight. It should be noted that claims 1 and 12 have been amended to address concerns about grammar but have not been narrowed. It is respectfully submitted that allowed claims 1-5, 7 and 12 should be entitled to the broadest reasonable interpretation and to the broadest range of equivalents that are appropriate in light of the language of the claims, the supporting disclosure and Applicant's prosecution of the claims, without reference to the latest Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

To the extent necessary, if any, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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